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LCO No. 4384

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

Introduced by:
(TRA)

AN ACT CONCERNING ZERO EMISSION BUSES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2009) (a) The Department of
2 Transportation shall establish a fleet of zero emission buses to be
3 operated by the department at transit districts throughout the state. At
4 least ten per cent of all new transit buses purchased by the department
5 from July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2014, inclusive, shall be zero emission
6 buses.

7 (b) Zero emission buses shall be assigned to or operated by transit
8 districts at locations identified by the Department of Transportation, in
9 consultation with Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology and
10 the Connecticut transit districts, after review and assessment of transit
11 district operations, refueling and fleet locations consistent with the
12 Connecticut Fuel Cell Economic Development Plan (Hydrogen
13 Roadmap), developed pursuant to section 32-9ww of the general
14 statutes.

15 (c) Funding for such buses shall be provided in a manner to
16 encourage federal cost sharing.

17 (d) Zero emission buses shall consist of fuel cell technology
18 manufactured principally in the state.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2009	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To establish a fleet of zero emission buses operating with fuel cells manufactured principally in Connecticut, in order to create jobs, reduce air pollutants and carbon emissions, and provide energy efficient public transportation.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]